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THE late Pamphlet, entitled the *Secret History of the White Staff*, having made a pretty deal of Noise in the World, and your L——
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ness of Stile, and notorious Sincerity, being generally suppos'd to be the Author, I determin'd to peruse it with the utmost Deliberation, and whatever my Thoughts were, to lay them before your L——p.

You

You cannot, I presume, be offended with the Liberty I take, when I assure you, I have no other End in this Business, than to shew your L——p, that you are not in the least wrong'd by the Opinion the World has of late entertain'd of you, and to bring back to their right Understandings the few unwary Persons who may have drunk too deep of your Poison.

Your L——p is pleas'd to begin your *Secret History* with an Old, but true Observation, That *Prime Ministers, as they have the peculiar Fate to have the Honour of other Mens Merit, so also do they often bear the Guilt of other Mens Crimes.* What you would infer from hence I know not, but am satisfied, if your L——p is at all uneasy by your want of Honour, and will purchase it at any rate, you may gladly have whatever is due to the late Administration of Affairs, provided you will patiently undergo the Reproach of that Infamy that must attend it: But perhaps your L——p would by this insinuate, how unjust it is, that you only
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should have the Publick Voice against you, while others are gone off with Praise and Commendation.

A farther Hardship, which your L——p seems to complain of, is, that *Agents and Seconds, by entirely possessing the Counsels and Views of their Great Benefactors and Prime Ministers, and not approving of such Views, by Degrees, thro' Artifice and Cunning encroach upon their Leaders; and from thwarting them at first, in little Matters, at last over-top them, and become altogether independent of them.* How far Agents from this Consideration, may attempt the worming out and destroying that Power which first gave them their Political Being, is best known to your L——p. Few, I am confident, will ever believe any of your L——p's Agents were able to do you Harm, from having made themselves Masters of your Views and Counsels. You were never yet very remarkable for a Communicative Temper; and when you had a Mind not to be understood, your L——p could be effectually unintelligible, without putting your self to much
 Trouble ;

Trouble ; but had it pleas'd you to open the Secrets of your Heart to any of your Pupils, they would scarcely have agreed the better with you upon that Account.

To shew us in the next Place, that your L——p is not the first Great Minister that has been supplanted by his Agents, we are put in mind, how Affairs went between *Becket* and his Prince ; but as you afterwards observe, you need not have gone so far back for an Instance ; modern Times are fruitful in such Examples.

Immediately after this, follows a long Story of the E. of G——n, and a certain Secretary of State, I am somewhat doubtful what your L——p intends by this Instance, whether to open the hard Fate of that Minister, in being dispossest'd of his Staff, by a Creature of his own Raising ; a little, underhand, nuzzling Agent, dark in his Purpose, and in his Views widely differing from the Counsels of his Patron and Benefactor ; or whether you propose the other part, that part, I mean, of your Story, which re-
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ates to the severe Usage of the Secretary, and Mismanagement of the Minister, as a Case parallel to what has lately happen'd; and who, my L—d, could think that Secretary to blame? who, after being treated with an impolitick Contempt, did at once satisfy his own private Resentment, and do a Piece of Justice to the Publick. But let us now suppose your L——p in Possession of what you had long aim'd at, and the World full of Expectation of Great Things from you, and then see whether their Expectations were wise and just, and how far they were answer'd.

In order to this, it will be necessary to declare the Way of Speech your L——p made use of, to those Persons whom you call'd in to your Assistance, and by whose Help you at last compass'd the Great Difficulty; and this, my L——d, I will do with that Fidelity which becomes me; and would have become a certain Gentleman, who of late has taken much to Speech-making, and —— but I will make no Reflections.

Be pleased then to remember, how the Nation, during a certain Administration, and before the Staff was in your L——p's Hand, ' was almost
 ' devour'd by a Land-consuming War,
 ' that the Dignity of the Publick was
 ' gone ; how we were sold to every petty Ally ; were a Province to *Holland*,
 ' and a Jest to *Europe* : That in our
 ' Trade we were either shamefully neglected, or infamously betray'd ; that
 ' the G——l was one who delighted in
 ' War, and could not live out of it ; and
 ' at the same time, that the poor Soldier,
 ' thro' the Extortion of the Officers,
 ' could not live in it ; that the Set of Men
 ' in Power car'd not what became of
 ' the Nation, provided they could raise
 ' themselves from their Obscurity by
 ' Plunder and Destruction : That the
 ' ——— was a Captive, the Clergy
 ' and Nobility basely trampled upon ;
 ' and in short, That it would soon be
 ' Night with Old *England*, if a Stop
 ' was not put to such ruinous Practises,
 ' and Her ——— redeem'd from the
 ' Hands of Her own and the Nation's
 ' Enemies.

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In this manner did your L——p frequently Address the Interest you thought necessary to you, God and Man know it to be true. But it seems, no sooner was the Blow struck, but your Patriots, and worthy Friends, in a Moment became full of Frenzy, Hot-headed, Factious, and all for the P——r, only because they exacted from you the Performance of the Promise you had frequently made them, which, as your L——p knows, was to pursue Measures the very reverse to those that reduced us to the wretched Condition in which we then were; but you, as it now appears by your own candid Confession, never intended any Thing of this Nature; *you*, truly, was content, the Staff was in your Hand, and your *Quarrel* never was *with Persons*, but *Things*; and provided two or three little Errors cou'd be rectify'd, you would then have gone on upon the old Bottom; nor wou'd there be any difficulty in this Scheme, for *great hopes of a Coalition* was conceiv'd by several Persons at that Time; but afterwards render'd impracticable through the means of a few

unforeseen Circumstances which broke in upon you.

My L—d, if your L——p will forgive the hot-headed, factious, silly Wretches, who were so weak as to credit your Proteſtations, I am verily perſwaded they will take care not to deſerve a ſecond Pardon.

But, my L—d, if I might preſume, I wou'd ask you, whether by this delicate Scheme, and finely ſpun Project, you wou'd have us admire your Wiſdom, or your Honesty, or neither of them.

I am not very good at Conjectures, but as far as I can comprehend, this Paragraph will entirely take from you, the only valuable Quality which was left you, your Courage and Reſolution, for I look upon this as a mean and ſervile Piece of Flattery, and prophesy you will find it as ineffectual as 'tis deſpicable. Your L——p has been long too Wiſe for the World, the World will now be too Wiſe for your L——p; nor are the Gentlemen in Power to be taken by a Hook ſo poorly cover'd.

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But, my L—d, e'er I proceed to consider any further your Secret History, permit me to throw away a Word in Justification of the hot-headed Faction, against which, the good humour'd Part of your Pamphlet is wholly bent; and to put your L——p in mind of what they did not expect: They did not, my L——d, expect that the G——l should be dismiss'd in a rude and insolent manner; that a new Viceroy should be made without civilly taking Leave of the old one; they did not desire that the great Officers should be discharg'd by half Dozens, only to restore others; nor that you should fill the Court with Bravos and Murderers to affront and bully all of a different Opinion, that should presume to come thither; they were not, my L—d, so wild as to press your L——p to drive *Jehu* like, and turn the Nation topsy turvey in a Weeks Time, or to give them or their Creatures Pluralities in the State, while the other Part of the Nation, that had born the Burden of the Day, were to be flatter'd with the Happiness of a Reformation, and cajoled into an
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expectation of Golden Times. Such a Proceeding would have set them at variance among themselves, and soon have brought their ridiculous Reign to an end; for the Nation, as you well know, is not to be trod upon by a factious Junto, or an over-grown Grandee: And if ever the Experiment is made, it will dearly cost those Persons who shall have the Curiosity to try their Power. As we have now the Honour of serving His M——y, so shall we with Duty resign whenever it shall please Him to command us. We owe our Homage to the Throne, but none to the Ministers that surround it. Your L——p therefore sees what your Friends did not expect, and I fancy are not much puzzled to know what they did expect.

So to play the Cards as to secure the Game; to act in such sort as not to make it a Question what you intended; to use Gentlemen as they ought to be used; to acknowledge their Services, to circulate your Favours among their dispirited Friends, and openly to pursue the Interest of that Cause you openly profess'd, but
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secretly betray'd. This, my L—d, was what we expected, and this might have easily been compassed ; all Difficulties were removed, the Nation pour'd out their Hearts to her ——— for their Delivery, and return'd a Parliament which fully spoke the Sense of the People ; the Whigs would have compounded for Life, Property and Quiet, all Things concurr'd to restore us to our Happiness ; the ———, the Nation, and the Parliament, declared themselves for us ; but 'twas your Pride, and has since been your Boast, to cajole, oppose, and disappoint, and to rule the Nation by broken Sentences and broken Promises, a trifling Levity, and designing Obscurity ; from whence we may allow you the Character of an Adroit Kn——ve, the Character perhaps you are most fond of. But to proceed with your History.

When a Coalition was found impossible, the displaced People, your L——p tells us, *Express'd the utmost Resentment, and left no Stone unturn'd to distress and hamper your Administration.* It is true, indeed, your Honour was but scurvily

vily treated by the Whigs, and yet the ill Usage you met with, was owing only to your self; your shuffling and unsteady Behaviour was an Encouragement to them to use you as they did, and every ambiguous, double Statesman will meet with your L——p's Fate. Your Greatness, however, as yet, kept its Ground, notwithstanding the violent Attacks they made against you; which Attacks, as you acknowledge, forced you into strange Methods, and made some Steps necessary which would not otherwise have been justifiable; but were I allow'd to judge, I would say, your L——p occasion'd the Necessity, and by that occasion'd the Attacks.

An Accident, however, happen'd at this Time, which stood you greatly in stead, the Attempt made upon your Life by a common Murderer, as you are pleas'd to call him, with much Propriety of Speech, quite dumbfounded your Enemies, and gave you such a Credit, that you now first began to sail with a full Wind. This it was that *hasten'd your Advancement* with the Queen,
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and now it was that you cou'd go alone; and therefore being left to your self, you again *thought of a Coalition*, but indeed there was no *Confidence*, which in plainer Words signifies no one wou'd believe you; and besides, this laudable *Intention* was *frustrated*, by some, who made it their Business to render an Accommodation impracticable. And here we have another Article against the hot-headed Faction, but unless you have a more heinous Accusation to bring against them, the present Ministry, I fear, will never come in to the hanging them, nor will your Lordship meet with any great Reward for your Information. But it little concerns me, whether you hang them or not, and I only say this to show your L——p, that till you can produce a stronger Charge against them, or they shall as basely cringe as your L——p has done, the Ballance of Guilt must lye on your L——p's side.

And now behold your Lordship still attack'd, and still repulsing, and in every Battle Victorious.

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But e'er we proceed, let us a little consider your great Merit in G——d's having attempted your Life, since upon this Attempt you so much value yourself, and from this Time set up for a Hero. Monsieur G——d had been detected by the Diligence and Fidelity of the Lord B———de, in his correspondence with Her Majesty's Enemies, and being conscious of his Guilt, and foreseeing what his Fate wou'd be, grew enraged, and to the last degree desperate. The Cabinet, before whom he was convened, so entangled him by their Questions, that he cou'd not possibly extricate himself; hence his Fury rose, and the Devil confirm'd him in his Resolution, which was, to destroy, if possible, the Person who discover'd his Villany; but not being able to compass it, in the blindness of his Passion he contented himself with the next at hand, which (God be thank'd) happen'd to be your L——p. And now where's the Merit? You will tell us, I know, if this be not sufficient, you have a reserve, and that you once stop'd the
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Mouths of a pack of rebellious Highlanders with a less Sum than your Predecessor; that you had also a Majority in the Debate upon the Affairs of *Catalonia*; and a Question to your Advantage. Allowing, my L—d, these Instances to be as stated, I cannot in either of them see your great Success, Genius, or Ability, which you so much extol and magnifie.

It was a great Pity, my Lord, when Wind and Tide were so much your Friends, that any Thing should fall out to cross you; but as the Devil would have it, the *wild Fire, factious Churchmen* were still teasing and plaguing you, and in an unmannerly way calling upon you to be as good as your Word. This was a huge Grievance, but the greater Difficulty was, that among those who pretended to be your Friends, several had different Views, and acted upon quite different Principles; and the Nation now, was not in Appearance divided into Whig or Tory, but into those who were for the Old Ministry, and those who were for the New; and

this last Party also was divided into two Parts, those who were really Jacobites, and in the Interest of the Pretender; and those, who, tho' they were not Jacobites, were yet not entirely in the Interest of the White Staff, though they seemingly acted in Concurrence with him.

As to the first Party, some of which (as your L——p says) were even within Doors, (a Compliment highly deserving Thanks from the noble L——ds you strike at) those forsooth you cou'd easily manage, by making them entertain a Dream of your L——p's being in the Interest of their Cause, *than which nothing cou'd be more absurd*; nor were any more Weak than those who cou'd believe so. How absurd their Dream was, and how Weak those were who cou'd believe so, I will not presume to determine, till I know whether you did not give them some other Assurance besides your Oaths and Promises; if they trusted entirely to them, it is a shrewd Sign of their being very credulous. Before I leave this Paragraph,

ragraph, let me observe to you, that this Discovery, I mean of Jacobites within Doors, is the only Secret in your Book; But I fear it has no more Truth in it than what follows it.

The other Party, however, were those who created you all the Trouble, as being an obstinate, out of temper Generation, lifted under the Colours of the immoderate, High Church Faction, and by their Direction form'd into a Body, with the Title of the *October Club*: *This* was a perverse Race; and had not you put an end to their Meetings, God knows what wou'd have become of us; This, my L—d, is so very ridiculous, and so monstrously absurd, that it scarce deserves an Answer. There was indeed an *October Club*, and it was composed of the best Gentlemen in the Nation, Men of Birth, Fortune, and Principles; Men that scorn'd and contemned those who trifled with the Dignity and Safety of the Publick, and that were above being guided by the obscure Dictates of an imperious Minister; and if this was the Case, how cou'd your

L—p

L——p have any Interest with them? I am positive you never had enough, either to break their Designs or their Meeting, nor was their Meeting ever discontinued during the setting of Parliament; and let me say this to their Honour, it was the only Assembly of so large a Number, in which your L——p had not a Spy; but you are fond of divulging Secrets which all the World know to be Untruths, as will further appear in this Discourse.

Your L——p now began to smell a Rat, and thought it high Time to look about you; the Hot-headed, High Church Fellows had push'd you to the Wall, and begun to Catechize you a little rudely, but you to be even with them, was determin'd to give no Answers to their Questions: The Schism Bill was laid as a Trap for you, but you were too wise to bite, and by a wonderful Artifice, peculiar to your L——p, took all that was bad out of the Bill, and yet kept all that was good in it. My L—d, I have your Word for this, and so must ask no further; but what shall I say to
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those Persons who have all this while imposed upon me, by telling me, your L——p did not speak one Word thro' the whole Debate; that you sat dumb, and swelling with a Discontent that visibly spoke your Affections to the Bill: Had your L——p employ'd your Oratory against it; or had not your Credit at that Time been shatter'd and almost brought to nothing, you had been able, perhaps, to have given it some disturbance in its Passage; be that as it will, if the Bill was intended as a Touch-stone, I am sure it had its Effect. But to be even with these Priests and Madmen, your L——p has a Plot in your Turn, and what shou'd it be, but to write a Secret History, to insinuate that they are all in the Interest of the Pretender, and if possible, to bring down their Reputations to a level with your own; to mark them out for Pastime for the Populace, to load them with all Mistakes, and in short, to make them the center of Contempt and Hatred: This, my L—d, was a glorious Thought, and had there been a little more probability in the Project, it had show'd

show'd you a *Machiavel* in Politicks. But when your L——p begins to argue, you only prove, you wou'd have them thought in the Interest of the Pretender, because not in your Views; whereas you shou'd first have prov'd your own Views not against the Succession.

There was yet another Weapon, for your L——p can fight at Sword and Dagger, which you thought fit to make use of against the Enemy; and what shou'd it be, but the House of H—r; and you are pleas'd to tell us, *While the Faction run on with the wild and ruinous Scheme, and were, as far as they had Power, ruling according to the Severity of the Law, you for your part, did not mind them, only so far as was necessary to defeat them, but went quietly on with your Business, cultivated a good Correspondence with the House of H——, and secured the Succession against all Pretenders whatsoever.*

With what Front, now, cou'd your L——p make so malicious an Insinuation; you well remember, nor can I believe you are yet so hardned as to deny
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 nd your unwarrantable Behaviour to-
 wards it, occasion'd the first coolness
 between you, &c. as you are pleas'd to
 term them, the Faction; and after their
 repeated Instances to you, after their
 most earnest Sollicitations, all they cou'd
 obtain from you, was, your juggling
 Kinsman for an Envoy, in the send-
 ing of whom, your L——p put a
 greater Affront upon that Court, than
 you cou'd have done, had you still con-
 tinued your Neglect and sent none.

Was one, as great a Riddle as your
 self, and the Jest of his own Country,
 a fit Person to be sent Abroad at such a
 Time, was he the only proper Man
 you cou'd find to heal, if there was
 any, the unhappy Misunderstanding
 between the two Courts; or did you
 send him, my L—d, to continue the
 Farce you had been playing with them
 ever since the Establishment of your
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Had you thought fit to send, as was desired, a Person of Quality and Distinction, and in whom both Courts might have confided, you wou'd have given a better Proof of your being in the Interest of the Protestant Succession, but you were not to be driven to what you did not approve: The Q——n was lull'd with a belief that all was well; and 'twas the Nations Misfortune you had so great a Credit for so long a Time with her.

Another Proof of your unwearied Zeal for the Succession, is brought from the great Share you had in the Payment of Arrears due to the H——r Troops, but surely you will not presume to palm this upon us. Have you forgot the Discourse you held at your own Table with half a Dozen Gentlemen of the House of Commons? You then thought they ought to be upon the same Foot as the other Revolters; at least, that they shou'd not be paid till they had shou'd a due Submission to her M——y, and
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wou'd acknowledge the Payment as a Favour.

This, my L—d, is literally true, and shall be vouch'd at any Time. From whence it is evident, whoever paid them now, they might have been discharg'd long since, had not your L——p interpos'd.

Your Pen in several Parts of your Secret History, drops the broadest Insinuations of the mighty Things you have done for that Court, which how true they are, let your present Condition speak. Cou'd such a necessary, and strenuous Assertor of the Right of Succession, in so great a Change, and at this Juncture, pass unregarded ; cou'd he be blotted out like a useless Cypher ? And yet this Fate is better than what your Guilt can expect, and the best your few Friends can hope for.

But by these things your L——p instructs us from whence you fetch your Merit, and if we are ask'd what mighty

Matters you have perform'd for the publick, since your Installment in the Chair of Power and Management ; we may boldly answer your Lordship was stab'd by G——d, that you gave but 3000*l.* to the High-land Rebels ; that you sent your Legerdemain Kinsman to H——r, and paid the Arrears due to their Troops when Money was voted and raised for it by Parl——t.

And if this will not content them, we are further instructed to say, Your L———p made one Cousen a P——r, a second a Coadjutor, a third an Auditor ; that you got Preferments for all your poor Relations, and an Heiress for your Son ; (but in what manner shall be the Subject of a particular Treatise) and these my L——d are the valuable Blessings of a wise and dilatory Conduct ; but we must not imagine these great Achievements could be brought about, without taking a few irregular Steps, such as the Making a Dozen of P——rs, &c.

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The State we see had an ample Provision made for it ; nor was the Church in the least neglected ; for is not—— Dean of *Wells*, and Doctor *J.——n* *Sw——t* Dean of *St. Patrick's* ? and is not this a sufficient Security ? Perhaps it may be urg'd, I forget Dr. *O——y*, Dr. *A——y*, *S——ge*, and *G——l*. I must own as a great Happiness, that our Church has these worthy Persons for her Bishops ; but yet I am not very certain to whom we owe them : Report says, your *L——p* was kind in recommending Dr. *O——ly*, that the Queen made Dr. *Sm——ge*, that Dr. *At——y* made himself, and that your *L——p*, if you please, may have the Honour of making the fourth. But why should we insist upon such Trifles ? when there's enough for you without them ; and it is evident to all, that your *L——p* secur'd the State by destroying the *October Club* ; and the Church, by taking out of the Schism-Bill the Persecuting Clause against Dissenters. Give me leave, in this place, my *L——d*, to remind
you

you of one part of your Character, which by a strange Misfortune you entirely forgot; I mean, my L—d, the great Encouragement Dedications in Verse and Prose, tell me you shew to Learning; you have been stil'd the *Mæcenas* of the Age, the Protector of the Muse, and the secure *Asylum* to distress'd Merit; the *Arabian* and *Hebrew* had never been able to have supported themselves so long in this *Western* World, but by your L——p's Care and Indulgence: This gave me the Curiosity to make a more particular Enquiry; which I did, and found out, that your L——p, from your Love to Learning, some Years since, gave the Q——'s Statue to *Christ-Church*: It is own'd, indeed, that your L——p, a little after, as if you had repented of the Good you had done, run the College into an unnecessary Quarrel, and rais'd a Flame you could not with all your Art and Power extinguish. You best know, my L—d, whether to plead *Guilty*, or *Not Guilty*, to this Charge; but it's evident, that valuable Body has not of late made that

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Figure in the University it us'd to do, tho' we are not yet without Hopes of seeing them upon their old Foot, when we consider how great and able a Person they have for their Head.

Excepting this Statue, my L—d, I have not heard of any thing very considerable, which was ever done by your L——p's Means, for either of the Universities : No new Fellowships have been added ; no new Buildings have been erected ; no Scholarships, no Charitable Contributions have been given to either of them. The Prebends appropriated to the Headships of some particular Colleges in each University, was a Benefaction procur'd by another Person, who, if ever, did then swear By the Blast of Hell, and Rage of Devils——— when your L——p cross'd his further Purpose of obtaining other Benefactions for them: Yet, my L—d, it will not be denied, you have given some Encouragement to the Republick of Letters ; for seldom does your L——p sit down to Table without a
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broken Poet or a tatter'd Clergy-man, with whom, when your L——p has a little Leifure, you may perhaps compose an Answer to the *Crisis*.

But to return to your Book.

After you have expatiated in your own Commendation, and shew'd how necessary you were to the publick Service, you fall hard upon those Persons who endeavour'd to remove you, and put the Staff into other Hands; and in the same Page assure us, *Tho' they brought their wicked Purpose to bear, it was with the utmost Reluctance that Her Majesty parted with You*; and that your L—p at that very Hour *had Interest enough to place the Staff in Hands never design'd for it*; and by this Stratagem to defeat the *Intention of the hot-headed Faction*.

Was not this Relation so very absurd as it is, and the Falshood so gross, I would make some Reply to it; but as, I believe, there is not one Person that credits your *Secret History*, and as the
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Conducting that Affair is by Hundreds known to be due to another, I will leave it to contradict it self; nor can any thing be more untrue, except the Calmness and wonderful Temper you pretend you had at the Time of your *Quietus*. I have, my L—d, a Couple of substantial Witnesses, who were present at a certain Scene in K——n Garden, and have not yet forgot with what Respect you treated the *Attorney* and the *School-boy*. If your Lordship was at that time composed and calm, I would fain see what a Figure you make when you are discompos'd and ruffled. Besides this Argument of your Temper, we can produce the Heroick Rant in the Gallery at Ken——n.

As to the Reluctance which you pretend Her M——— was under when she strip'd you. I am told, the Female Buz reports, She was never easier than at that time; and God, by calling her to him so soon after, shut up the Glories of her Reign, by concluding it with the best Act of it.

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And now let us suppose you turn'd a-loof, and stript as naked as you would have stript the ungrateful Underlings; with the Mark of one ungrateful to his Q——n, false to his Trust, deceitful to his Friend, and perfidious to his Country; and then we may easily account for the Usage you have since met with; for the Hissings, Dirt, and Ropes, which were thrown at you in the City, and for the Mirth you occasion'd at Court; for the Hatred you meet with in the one, and the Contempt in the other: As these things, my L—d, are Lessons of Instruction to others, so may they be of some Use to your L——p, and learn you to retrieve your own Character before you attempt another Mans. In short, my L---d, your Day is over; no one will unite with you, nor divide for you; wherefore you have nothing else to do, but to repent of the Mischiefs you have done this poor Nation, by a shameful tricking Administration; and to think you can never be heartily forgiven for what you have done in this World, till
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you are gone to another. And yet my L——d there is still some Pity for you, and even in him from whom you least deserve it ; and I have Authority to tell you, the B——p, when he hears you are next possess'd with the Spirit of Writing *Secret History*, will wait on you, exorcise you, and drive out that *Lucifer* with whom you have made him so familiar.

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